



# MoMuskie News November 2009

## Reetz's Pieces

President Roger Reetz

The annual tournament was wonderful, lots of fish were caught despite the weather, the dinner and prizes were terrific, thanks to Denis and all his helpers.

Guide for a day was a gratifying day this year despite there being an extra ten feet of water in the lake, the water sure gave it a different look The Corp of engineers were letting out about a half a foot a day. Needless to say the high and mighty Muskie was somewhat distressed, and had their jaws clamped shut.

Thank you Gary for a job well done, and thanks to the guides for helping in the fund rising. I had a good day with a great young man who had just returned home from Iraq unharmed. He made me feel better about the future of the United States. A little news for you, The Conservation department stocked Pomme de Terre Lake with 8500; foot long Muskies the first week of October.

In surveying some of the results of Bass and Walleye contests in Southwest Missouri, there is one answer as to who is winning these tournaments.

People who spend the most time on the lake. Our members have participated in outings on Leech Lake, Green Bay and in Canada, The number of Muskies per boat per day is greater on Pomme de Terre, than any other place our members have been in the last 60 days.

Still time to get on the lake and fish.

Roger

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### WHITE BASS OUTING

### NOVEMBER 7, 2009

Contact Earle Hammond 417-993-0035  
ASAP if you plan on fishing. There will  
be a \$5 cost for the meal. Fishing time  
will be 8AM to 3:30PM

# Fall Tournament Results

By Wayne Humphrey

Fishing was not what you wanted it to be for the annual Fall Tournament. Multiple fronts moving through in the previous 7-8 days left the fish in no mood to cooperate with the fishermen.

On Friday there were 37 teams on the water all day and only 5 fish caught. Even stranger was that three of these fish came from one boat. Even stranger was that two of them came from the same dock. Earle Hammond and Randy Murawski figured something out and boated a 41¼, 41¼ and a 32. Earle caught both the 41 inch fish from the same dock and he said they looked just like twins. Makes you wonder if he had a really dumb fish that he caught twice.

Geary Kenneth and Daniel West boated a 35 for second place and David Admire and Nick Admire finished in third with a 32.

Saturday started the scoring all over and everyone went into it thinking that one or two fish might get the job done. Fishing proved to be just as tough as on Friday with only 5 fish caught from 34 boats.

Mark English and Toby English boated a 44 for big fish of the day. Also catching fish were Andrew Donner and George Donner with a 39, Billy Pitts and TJ Sawyer with a 36½, Wayne Humphrey and Dave Brandt with a 34 and Don Allen and Dave Schneider with a 32.

Some people were convinced the fish would turn on Sunday morning and the pessimists thought it would be tough again. The pessimists were right with only one fish being caught. Dave Admire and Nick Admire caught a 34, their second fish of the weekend. May not have been very big but it was worth a lot of bucks as big fish of the day.

There were additional fish seen and some hooked and lost over the three days, but even taking these into account, it was a slow weekend.

Our thanks to everyone that participated and especially to Fred Dearborn and Denis Ledgerwood for all the effort they put into the tournament.

Next year's tournament will be the second weekend in October and not the first. This is to avoid some scheduling conflicts with major sports events in the KC area.

# Your Participation is Appreciated Page 3

By Gary Neely

We would like to take this space to thank the following members for taking the time and effort for their club by their participation in Guide for a Day. As you know, this event has always been one of the major fund raisers each year for our club, but has fallen on hard times during the last two or three years.

The lack of the write up in the Missouri Conservationist magazine has all but dealt a death blow to our efforts and for 2010, we are presently only allocating 1 day for Guide for a Day.

Meanwhile we keep searching for the advertising media that would again give us the exposure and serve as the drawing card to again bring this event back to the "old days".

Guides this year were: Kevin Norstuen; Dave Admire; Bill Hill; Loren Gruber; Eddie Stevens; Roger Reetz and Steve Worstell. We can't thank you enough for taking the time to participate and encourage each of our members to at least talk up this event for next year to their friends and associates

. We really need the help to keep this event alive in the future as a major fund raising event.

Fishing this year was slow, most especially at the October event as it followed a major rain maker coming through the area about a week prior to fishing, but fish were still caught, strikes recorded and everyone seem to have a good time, especially the participants which came from Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri. Hopefully we will be able to see a couple of new members as a result of these outings



Fred Dearborn presented Randy Murawskie and Earle Hammond with the 1st Place Trophy for the Friday Muskie Tournament.

## Sat/Sun Winners

**Mark & Toby English**



This took place on 8-29-09, this is why we like to stress safety at all times .... Expect The Un-Expected!!!



This fire took place near Sunflower Resort. Reportedly the owner went to start the boat, an inboard/outboard and smelled gas.

When he started it, it caught fire and blew him against the dash.

The boat had been on fire for approximately 1.5 hours when we saw it.

We went on to our destination and collected the water samples and on the way back we saw it was still burning and smoking. Mary was watching it and saw a puff of white smoke and then nothing when it sank to the bottom of the lake.....



## **Muskie Log**

Hey fellow Pomme muskie anglers,

I just got off the phone with Mike Anderson, our Muskie Program Coordinator. While we were talking about our Show-Me Muskie Project results, he told me something quite disappointing...that you guys did not participate in our project last year. I was surprised because you guys were always so supportive of the project and so passionate about muskie fishing, especially about Pomme de Terre Lake. I encourage you to participate this year. Mike really needs your help and support. It's the best way for Mike to evaluate our muskie program. Please get back involved; you do make a difference and you are appreciated for your efforts.

Thanks from your former coordinator and fellow muskie nut. I look forward to seeing you at the tournament.

*Mark Boone*

# Red Line

In recent years there has been a craze among fisherman to use Red line. But Why? The logic behind this trend is based largely on the color spectrum in water. Since shades of red are the first color to fade, it is thought that by using red colored line, the angler's line "disappear" underwater.

Truth be told, Red does not disappear but in fact turn to a shade of Gray. This gray tone will help to blend the line in to the background and become much less visible to most fish that swim. The color red will completely fade out at a depth of 14 feet. Therefore, when targeting fish in depths of 20 feet or greater, Red Line is ideal.

whether you are deep cranking for bass; trolling for lake trout, walleye or salmon; to bottom fishing in deep rivers.

Information From Power-Pro Line Company Web Site

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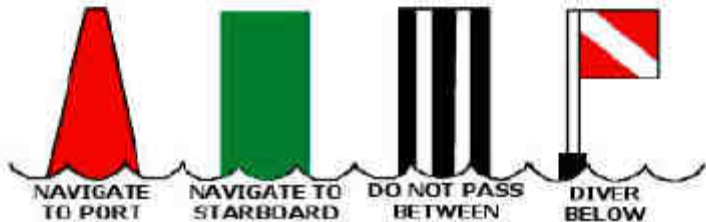
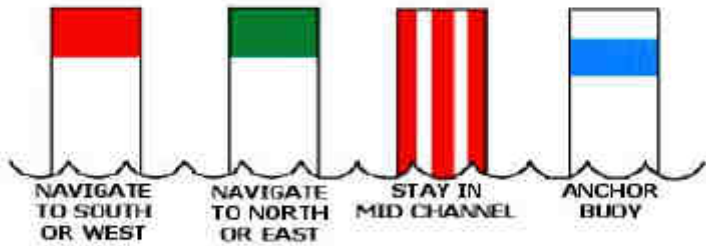
## Don Rassmussen's 3 50"+ Muskies From The St. Lawrence River In June



## NAVIGATION RULES

1. **OVER TAKING - PASSING:** Boat being passed has the right-of-way. **KEEP CLEAR.**
2. **MEETING HEAD ON:** Keep to the right.
3. **CROSSING:** Boat on the right has the right-of-way. Slow down and permit it to pass.

## **STANDARD RESERVOIR MARKERS**



Shown are the two fishermen from SEBILE. They did not place in the Tournament but sure did enjoy themselves.

Pictured are Mr. Gray COO from Sebile & Gary Dollohan from Tulsa - Pro Staff

## 2009 Chapter Activities

**January 7-11** Kansas City Sport Show  
**February 6-8** Columbia Sport Show Meeting  
**February 11-15** St. Louis Sport Show  
**March 7** Chapter Challenge, Meeting, Dinner at Pomme  
**March 21** Chapter Challenge backup date  
**April 4** Crappie Outing with shore lunch & meeting  
**May 2** Muskie Mayhem, meeting & meal  
**May 16** Trolling Party  
**June 6** Prime Time Tournament, lunch & meeting  
**July 18** Pomme de Tour on Lindley Arm  
**July 25** Kids Day—State Park Marina meal & meeting  
**August 15** Pomme de Tour Pomme Arm  
**August 23-29** Chapter Challenge—Leech Lake  
**September 19** Guide For A Day, meal & meeting  
**October 2-4** Fall Tournament  
**October 17** Guide For A Day, meal & meeting  
**November 7** White Bass Outing, meal & meeting  
**December 5** Planning Meeting 10 AM meal

For further information on these activities please check the website. For those who do not have access to the web please call either Gary 417-852-7126 or Earl 417-993-0035 and we will send you a copy of the activities fully explained.

Toby & Mark English

### POMME DE TERRE CHAPTER OF MUSKIES, INC MEMBERSHIP FORM - Chapter #5

Renewal \_\_\_ MI # \_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_ JR. Member \_\_\_  
Please Print

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

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DOB (Required) \_\_\_\_\_ Junior DOB \_\_\_\_\_

*Regular Membership \$35 1-Year, \$65 2-Years \$95 3-Years*

*Family Membership \$47.50 1-Year \$90 2-Years \$132 3-Years*

*Junior Membership (up to 18 years of age) \$20 per year*

**To Qualify For Muskie Mayhem A 3 Year Membership Is Required**

Make checks payable to **Muskies, Inc.** and then send to:  
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